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**ALL FARM  
PRODUCTS INDEX  
DOWN 2 POINTS**

The April All Farm Products index for Minnesota was down 2 points from March.

The Crops index for April was up 3 points from March. Prices received by farmers for soybeans for April averaged \$5.33 per bushel, a decrease of 6 cents from the March price. Corn was up 12 cents from March to an April price of \$1.97 per bushel.

The Meat Animal index was down 8 points from last month. The all hog price for April was \$39.40 per cwt., a decrease of \$3.60 from the March price. The all beef cattle price for April was \$77.50, a decrease of \$1.50 from the March price.

The Dairy Products index was down 3 points from last month. The all milk price for April, at \$12.10 per cwt., was down 20 cents from March.

**AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS**

Commodity And Unit	U.S.		-----Minnesota-----	
	Apr 2006 1/	Apr 2005 2/	Mar 2006 2/	Apr 2006 1/
Barley, Feed & Malting, bu	2.67	1.94	1.91	3/
Beans, Dry Edible, All, cwt	19.40	3/	16.90	3/
Kidney, cwt	4/	3/	3/	3/
Navy, cwt	4/	3/	3/	3/
Pinto, cwt	4/	3/	3/	3/
Corn, bu	2.11	1.90	1.85	1.97
Hay, All, Baled, ton	106.00	63.00	66.00	65.00
Alfalfa, Baled, ton	110.00	68.00	70.00	71.00
Other, Baled, ton	93.20	45.00	45.00	44.00
Oats, bu	1.72	1.47	1.56	1.56
Potatoes, cwt	8.66	5.00	6.00	6.10
Soybeans, bu	5.39	6.13	5.39	5.33
Sunflowers, All, cwt	10.60	19.10	16.60	15.00
Wheat, All, bu	3.90	3.29	3.85	4.01
Calves, cwt	136.00	142.00	135.00	135.00
Cattle, All Beef, cwt 3/	85.20	84.40	79.00	77.50
Cows, cwt, 4/	48.70	59.70	53.00	52.70
Steers & Heifers, cwt	89.70	90.20	84.70	83.00
Milk Cows, head 5/	1,770.00	1,700.00	--	1,780.00
Hogs, All, cwt	39.10	51.00	43.00	39.40
Barrows & Gilts, cwt	39.60	51.10	43.10	39.50
Sows, cwt	28.80	41.40	34.00	28.00
Lambs, cwt 6/	--	110.00	78.60	--
Sheep, cwt 6/	--	34.60	34.00	--
Milk, All, cwt	12.10	15.90	12.30	12.10
Eggs, Table Market, doz	0.32	0.25	0.49	0.32

1/ Preliminary 2/ Entire month data 3/ Price not published to avoid disclosure of individual farms 4/ Price not set at the US level 5/ "cows" and "steers and heifers" combined 6/ Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter 7/ Animals sold for dairy herd replacement only. Prices published in Jan., Apr., Jul., and Oct. 8/ Preliminary prices discontinued Jan. 1996.

**MINNESOTA INDEX OF PRICES RECEIVED (1977=100)**

Commodities	U.S.*		-----Minnesota-----	
	Apr 2006 1/	Apr 2005 2/	Mar 2006 2/	Apr 2006 1/
All Farm Products	115	137	125	123
Crops	129	110	107	110
Meat Animals	111	172	150	142
Dairy Products	93	180	140	137
Poultry & Eggs	102	102	120	116

1/ Preliminary. 2/ Entire month data.  
\* U.S. based on 1990-92=100 reference year replaces 1977 = 100 beginning Jan. 1995.

**U.S. INDEX SUMMARY (1990-92 = 100)\***

Item	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	Mar 2006	Apr 2006
Prices Received	119	121	114	115
Prices Paid (Interest, Taxes, Wage Rates)	139	140	146	147
Parity Ratio 1/	86	86	78	78

1/ Computed by dividing Prices Received Index by Prices Paid Index.

**SOYBEANS: Acreage, Yield, and Production,  
by County and District, Minnesota, 2004-05**

County and District 1/	Planted Acreage		Harvested Acreage		Yield Per Harvested Acre		Production	
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
	----- Acres -----		----- Acres -----		---- Bushels ----		----- Bushels -----	
Becker	86,300	75,700	80,200	74,400	13.0	33.0	1,042,600	2,455,200
Clay	169,900	154,000	167,900	151,200	21.0	38.0	3,525,900	5,745,600
Clearwater	10,400	6,800	6,200	6,700	13.0	31.0	80,600	207,700
Kittson	92,200	34,800	49,200	32,600	14.0	22.0	688,800	717,200
Mahnomen	60,500	48,800	54,000	47,800	11.0	30.0	594,000	1,434,000
Marshall	176,100	126,500	105,100	118,800	7.0	28.0	735,700	3,326,400
Norman	173,000	147,000	168,800	145,000	14.0	36.0	2,363,200	5,220,000
Pennington	79,700	72,700	58,000	71,800	7.0	28.0	406,000	2,010,400
Polk	282,000	229,000	267,600	224,800	12.0	31.0	3,211,200	6,968,800
Red Lake	66,900	60,000	61,900	59,200	12.0	32.0	742,800	1,894,400
Roseau	26,000	37,700	6,100	35,700	10.0	24.0	61,000	856,800
<b>Northwest</b>	<b>1,223,000</b>	<b>993,000</b>	<b>1,025,000</b>	<b>968,000</b>	<b>13.1</b>	<b>31.9</b>	<b>13,451,800</b>	<b>30,836,500</b>
Hubbard	5,900	4,600	5,500	4,300	13.0	41.0	71,500	176,300
Lake of the Woods	2,400	2,100	800	2,000	14.0	29.0	11,200	58,000
Combined Counties	12,200	7,300	8,700	7,100	7.9	29.8	69,100	211,800
<b>North Central</b>	<b>20,500</b>	<b>14,000</b>	<b>15,000</b>	<b>13,400</b>	<b>10.1</b>	<b>33.3</b>	<b>151,800</b>	<b>446,100</b>
Big Stone	110,700	103,900	110,400	102,500	33.0	43.0	3,643,200	4,407,500
Chippewa	117,900	111,300	117,600	109,600	36.0	46.0	4,233,600	5,041,600
Douglas	70,900	65,600	70,500	64,700	29.0	40.0	2,044,500	2,588,000
Grant	110,700	91,300	110,500	90,300	34.0	41.0	3,757,000	3,702,300
Lac Qui Parle	168,300	163,300	168,000	161,600	32.0	43.0	5,376,000	6,948,800
Otter Tail	135,300	117,900	134,500	116,300	25.0	36.0	3,362,500	4,186,800
Pope	84,800	84,800	84,600	83,800	33.0	42.0	2,791,800	3,519,600
Stevens	132,000	116,800	131,500	115,100	33.0	41.0	4,339,500	4,719,100
Swift	144,700	141,800	144,300	140,000	30.0	44.0	4,329,000	6,160,000
Traverse	142,700	119,600	132,900	117,200	33.0	35.0	4,385,700	4,102,000
Wilkin	145,100	130,700	141,100	129,000	27.0	37.0	3,809,700	4,773,000
Yellow Medicine	175,400	170,000	172,600	167,900	34.0	43.0	5,868,400	7,219,700
<b>West Central</b>	<b>1,538,500</b>	<b>1,417,000</b>	<b>1,518,500</b>	<b>1,398,000</b>	<b>31.6</b>	<b>41.0</b>	<b>47,940,900</b>	<b>57,368,400</b>
Benton	30,200	21,800	30,000	21,100	30.0	35.0	900,000	738,500
Carver	42,600	39,400	42,300	39,000	37.0	48.0	1,565,100	1,872,000
Kandiyohi	118,600	115,800	118,300	114,500	35.0	46.0	4,140,500	5,267,000
McLeod	89,600	83,300	87,900	82,100	34.0	45.0	2,988,600	3,694,500
Meeker	107,200	106,600	106,900	105,200	34.0	40.0	3,634,600	4,208,000
Morrison	26,200	21,900	25,800	21,700	27.0	34.0	696,600	737,800
Renville	217,800	198,700	217,500	196,500	34.0	49.0	7,395,000	9,628,500
Scott	32,700	33,500	32,400	33,100	38.0	50.0	1,231,200	1,655,000
Sherburne	18,600	18,000	18,400	17,700	32.0	43.0	588,800	761,100
Sibley	117,400	113,200	116,600	112,000	37.0	50.0	4,314,200	5,600,000
Stearns	97,500	101,900	97,100	100,400	34.0	36.0	3,301,400	3,614,400
Todd	41,100	33,300	40,600	32,800	27.0	38.0	1,096,200	1,246,400
Wadena	7,200	6,300	6,700	6,200	26.0	43.0	174,200	266,600
Wright	74,300	76,300	74,000	75,200	35.0	40.0	2,590,000	3,008,000
<b>Central</b>	<b>1,021,000</b>	<b>970,000</b>	<b>1,014,500</b>	<b>957,500</b>	<b>34.1</b>	<b>44.2</b>	<b>34,616,400</b>	<b>42,297,800</b>

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County and District 1/	Planted Acreage		Harvested Acreage		Yield Per Harvested Acre		Production	
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
	----- Acres -----		----- Acres -----		---- Bushels ----		----- Bushels -----	
Anoka	3,900	3,300	3,700	3,200	19.0	26.0	70,300	83,200
Chisago	22,100	22,800	21,800	22,600	25.0	35.0	545,000	791,000
Hennepin	14,700	15,800	14,500	15,700	33.0	37.0	478,500	580,900
Isanti	27,800	27,600	27,600	27,500	22.0	30.0	607,200	825,000
Kanabec	9,600	9,500	9,500	9,400	21.0	22.0	199,500	206,800
Mille Lacs	13,100	14,600	12,900	14,400	29.0	31.0	374,100	446,400
Pine	9,800	9,300	9,600	9,100	31.0	25.0	297,600	227,500
Washington	13,800	14,300	13,700	14,100	28.0	45.0	383,600	634,500
Combined Counties	3,200	2,300	2,700	2,100	26.0	21.0	70,200	44,100
<b>East Central</b>	118,000	119,500	116,000	118,100	26.1	32.5	3,026,000	3,839,400
Cottonwood	157,500	156,800	157,200	155,000	40.0	49.0	6,288,000	7,595,000
Jackson	170,300	173,000	170,000	171,000	39.0	54.0	6,630,000	9,234,000
Lincoln	96,900	93,700	96,600	92,600	34.0	47.0	3,284,400	4,352,200
Lyon	161,500	161,200	161,200	159,000	38.0	47.0	6,125,600	7,473,000
Murray	163,900	165,500	163,600	163,600	36.0	49.0	5,889,600	8,016,400
Nobles	179,600	183,600	179,000	181,600	39.0	53.0	6,981,000	9,624,800
Pipestone	91,500	93,400	91,200	92,300	33.0	47.0	3,009,600	4,338,100
Redwood	213,000	213,700	212,700	211,100	39.0	49.0	8,295,300	10,343,900
Rock	117,300	116,100	117,000	114,800	41.0	53.0	4,797,000	6,084,400
<b>Southwest</b>	1,351,500	1,357,000	1,348,500	1,341,000	38.0	50.0	51,300,500	67,061,800
Blue Earth	165,500	166,100	164,800	163,800	43.0	52.0	7,086,400	8,517,600
Brown	127,700	130,000	127,300	128,500	41.0	51.0	5,219,300	6,553,500
Faribault	171,000	173,100	170,000	170,600	42.0	53.0	7,140,000	9,041,800
Freeborn	157,500	157,300	155,500	155,500	38.0	53.0	5,909,000	8,241,500
Le Sueur	81,900	80,600	81,600	79,700	39.0	48.0	3,182,400	3,825,600
Martin	186,200	178,600	183,900	176,500	42.0	50.0	7,723,800	8,825,000
Nicollet	92,400	88,700	92,100	87,700	38.0	49.0	3,499,800	4,297,300
Rice	66,000	66,300	65,700	65,600	39.0	50.0	2,562,300	3,280,000
Steele	87,000	90,300	86,000	89,300	38.0	52.0	3,268,000	4,643,600
Waseca	98,000	95,600	97,200	94,600	41.0	54.0	3,985,200	5,108,400
Watonwan	110,800	108,400	110,400	106,700	44.0	53.0	4,857,600	5,655,100
<b>South Central</b>	1,344,000	1,335,000	1,334,500	1,318,500	40.8	51.6	54,433,800	67,989,400
Dakota	64,000	62,500	63,700	61,000	38.0	47.0	2,420,600	2,867,000
Dodge	91,800	92,100	91,400	90,900	41.0	53.0	3,747,400	4,817,700
Fillmore	98,200	100,100	97,400	99,000	41.0	57.0	3,993,400	5,643,000
Goodhue	94,300	97,200	94,000	96,100	41.0	48.0	3,854,000	4,612,800
Houston	27,600	28,900	27,300	28,600	44.0	56.0	1,201,200	1,601,600
Mower	162,600	170,500	160,100	168,600	40.0	53.0	6,404,000	8,935,800
Olmsted	77,700	74,400	77,400	73,300	41.0	55.0	3,173,400	4,031,500
Wabasha	36,800	39,700	36,500	39,200	44.0	52.0	1,606,000	2,038,400
Winona	30,500	29,100	30,200	28,800	44.0	56.0	1,328,800	1,612,800
<b>Southeast</b>	683,500	694,500	678,000	685,500	40.9	52.8	27,728,800	36,160,600
<b>Minnesota</b>	7,300,000	6,900,000	7,050,000	6,800,000	33.0	45.0	232,650,000	306,000,000

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**BROILERS UP 1% IN MINNESOTA; U.S. ALSO UP 1%**

Minnesota's 2005 output of 46.9 million broilers was up 1% from the previous year and ranked 17th among states in the U.S. Broiler production in all states totaled 8.87 billion head, up 1% from 2004. Minnesota's share was only one-half of 1% of the U.S. total. The leading state was Georgia, with 15% of the U.S. total, followed by number two Arkansas, with 14%.

The following table compares broiler production in Minnesota and the U.S. over the past 10 years.

Minnesota Broilers, 1995 to 2005			
Years ----->	1995	2000	2005
Number Produced (000)	48,000	44,200	46,900
MN Share of U.S. Total	0.66%	0.53%	0.53%
2005 Production as a % of 1995 ----->	97%		
2005 Production as a % of 2000 ----->	106%		

U.S. Broilers, 1995 to 2005			
Years ----->	1995	2000	2005
Number Produced (000)	7,325,670	8,284,000	8,870,350
2005 Production as a % of 1995 ----->	121%		
2005 Production as a % of 2000 ----->	107%		

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**MARCH EGG PRODUCTION INCHES UPWARD**

Minnesota layers produced 255 million eggs during March 2006 compared to 253 million in March 2005, showing a slight increase. Laying flocks in the U.S. produced 7.8 billion eggs in March, a 1% increase from a year ago.

**POULTRY STATS - MARCH**

		2005	2006
Total Eggs Produced	MN	253 Mil.	255 Mil.
	U.S.	7,738 Mil.	7,837 Mil.
Number of Layers	MN	11.0 Mil.	11.3 Mil.
	U.S.	347.0 Mil.	350.1 Mil.
Eggs per 100 Layers	MN	2,300 Mil.	2,258 Mil.
	U.S.	2,230 Mil.	2,239 Mil.
<b>CHICKENS:</b>			
Hatched (March)			
Egg-Type	MN	1.2 Mil.	1.1 Mil.
	U.S.	41.7 Mil.	38.9 Mil.
Broiler-Type	U.S.	816.6 Mil.	817.1 Mil.
Eggs in Incubators (April 1)			
Egg-Type	WNC	7.5 Mil.	7.7 Mil.
	U.S.	37.7 Mil.	35.8 Mil.
Broiler-Type	WNC	24.6 Mil.	24.3 Mil.
	U.S.	660.1 Mil.	658.6 Mil.
<b>TURKEYS:</b>			
Placed (March)			
	WNC	9.3 Mil.	9.5 Mil.
	U.S.	23.4 Mil.	24.7 Mil.
Eggs in Incubators (April 1)			
	WNC	10.9 Mil.	10.9 Mil.
	U.S.	29.1 Mil.	29.9 Mil.

\*West North Central Region (Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, North & South Dakota, Minnesota).

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